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MEMORANDUM FOR : Director, FBIS  
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Gulf Bureau-June 1982

## I. GENERAL

A 1-day recruiting trip to Kuwait early in the month reconfirmed earlier findings that a possible Kurdish candidate was unsuitable. The candidate again did well in Arabic and the Bahdinani dialect of Kurdish, but unfortunately was unable to bring his understanding of the Surani dialect up to an acceptable level since his initial testing in February. However, by month's end London bureau advised that a possible Kurdish candidate had contacted the bureau. London will test him in both Kurdish and Arabic.

The unexpected resignation of one of our Persian monitors at mid-month compelled us to streamline our coverage somewhat. We dropped some rather unproductive Tehran and Kabul Urdu coverage and moved one of our Persian/Urdu monitors to fulltime Persian duties. In addition, we hired a young Persian-speaking college student on a part time basis. She has progressed exceptionally well and is now working the slower-paced dayshift, enabling us to concentrate our experienced monitors on the busy evening shift.

A representative of the Office of Security surveyed the bureau during the month.

## II. OPERATIONS

## A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. In order to permit Jordan Bureau's Arabic team to concentrate on material connected with the crisis in Lebanon, Gulf assumed coverage of San'a' Domestic Service newscasts at 1200, 1700 and 2000 GMT as well as SUNA Arabic and English transmissions. Reception of San'a' is generally good and SUNA fair. Sudan's expulsion of Iranian Embassy staffers from Khartoum on 12 June was filed from a SUNA Arabic transmission.

2. A major cruising effort was mounted on Tehran's Arabic service in view of reports that "Radio Free Bahrain" and "Radio Free Kuwait" features were being broadcast on Tehran frequencies. A two-week open-speaker watch was negative. Another report that inflammatory material attributed to the Islamic Liberation Front of Bahrain, and perhaps by its alleged founder Hadi Modarresi himself, could not be confirmed. The sole source of Bahrain

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Liberation Front material continues to be the publication ASH-SHAHID, which is mailed to Gulf from London, PMU.

3. The death of Saudi King Khalid on 13 June prompted open-speaker watches on Riyadh radio and Saudi television. Various messages of support for the new monarch, King Fahad, his renaming of deputy prime ministers, and the arrival of various foreign dignitaries to pay their respects were monitored from television. An editorial report was filed on television coverage of Khalid's funeral.

4. Cruising checks for an English-language feature "Voice of Islam" said to be broadcast by Tehran were negative. Similar checks on Tripoli Domestic Service showed that the radio fades in about 1200 GMT at Gulf on shortwave frequencies.

5. Two speeches by Ayatollah Khomeyni that were unprocessable in London were filed on 3 and 13 June by the bureau. Due to poor quality recordings originating with the source, both speeches could not be processed by the BBC. However, our better reception of the speeches monitored via the Bushehr relay enabled our monitors to process excerpts.

6. At the request of FCS, two weeks of recordings of the clandestine Radio Vatou transmitter in Persian were forwarded to headquarters. A one-day sample of the Riyadh television newscast was videotaped and forwarded to Liaison and Requirements Branch.

#### B. Lateral Services

1. The bureau initiated a new lateral service for low-level economic material processed from Soviet regional stations. Such material, which is deemed not to be of interest to the DAILY REPORT, is filed to the BBC and to headquarters, flagged "only UD," for possible publication by JPRS.

### III. ADMINISTRATION

#### A. Personnel

1. Arabic monitors [ ] were awarded Quality Step Increases for sustained superior performances over the past year. A brief ceremony was held in the bureau chief's office.

2. In another brief ceremony, monitor [ ] was presented with a 10-year service pen. [ ] was formerly a monitor at STAT old Mediterranean bureau and at Okinawa bureau.

3. [ ] resigned at mid-month for personal reasons. STAT

#### IV. VISITS

1. To the bureau 14 June: [redacted], Office of Security to survey the bureau. STAT
2. To the bureau 15 June: [redacted], deputy chief, NEA. STAT
3. To the bureau 19-24 June: [redacted] FBIS personnel officer, for orientation. STAT

#### V. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1. TDY editor [redacted] caught us all somewhat by surprise when she announced that she had become engaged to be married to ICA staff officer [redacted]. A late July wedding here in Bahrain is planned. [redacted] will become the third Gulf Bureau staffer to marry while on duty here. Her predecessors are [redacted] STAT

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Bureau Chief

## GULF BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JUNE 1982

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	311,670
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	65,570
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	763

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. <u>INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:</u> (minutes or issues per week)	11,245 mins.	7,350 mins.	169.5 issues
III. <u>OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:</u> (publishable words per month)			

AFGHANISTAN

Kabul in English to South Asia	1,690
Kabul in Urdu to South Asia	720
Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto	0
Kabul Domestic Service in Dari	0
Kabul International Service in Arabic	2,860

BAHRAIN

Manama Domestic Service in Arabic	1,720	
Manama Domestic Service in English	240	
Manama Domestic Television Service in Arabic	0	
Manama WAKH in Arabic		29,530
Manama GULF NEWS AGENCY in English		0
Manama AKBAR AL-KHALIJ in Arabic		5,030
Manama AL-ADWA in Arabic		2,010

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Manama GULF DAILY NEWS in English			1,840
Manama GULF MIRROR in English			0
Manama SADA AL-USBU in Arabic			1,470
Manama AL-MAWAQIF in Arabic			1,120

CLANDESTINE

(Clandestine) Voice of Lebanese Armenians in Armenian	4,780
(Clandestine) National Voice of Iran in Azeri to Iran	0
(Clandestine) Free Voice of Iran in Persian to Iran	17,740
(Clandestine) Radio Iran in Persian to Iran	7,770
(Clandestine) Voice of Iran in Persian	4,850
(Clandestine) Ahvaz Voice of Al-Qadisiyah in Arabic	0
(Clandestine) Voice of Iraqi Islamic Revolution in Arabic	0

EGYPT

Cairo MENA in Arabic	170
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IRAN

Tehran International Service in Arabic	15,650
Tehran International Service in Russian	940
Tehran International Service in Turkish	8,490
Tehran International Service in Urdu	160
Tehran Domestic Service in Persian	11,340
Tehran Domestic Television Service in Persian	0
Tehran International Service in Pashto	0
Abadan NIOC Radio in Arabic	0
Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian	1,440
Shiraz Domestic Service in Persian	0

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Bandar Abbas Domestic Service in Persian	1,270		
Ahvaz Domestic Service in Arabic	0		
Tehran IRNA in English		430	
Tehran IRNA in Arabic		0	
Bushehr Domestic Service in Persian	1,040		
Tehran Jomhuri-Ye Eslami in Persian			6,250
Tehran Ettela'at in Persian			4,010
Tehran Keyhan in Persian			1,740
Tehran Ash-Shahid in Arabic			2,000

IRAQ

Baghdad International Service in Azeri	5,830		
Baghdad Domestic Service in Arabic	730		

KUWAIT

Kuwait AL-ANBA' in Arabic			7,110
Kuwait AL-QABAS in Arabic			5,310
Kuwait AR-RA'Y AL-'AMM in Arabic			9,830
Kuwait ARAB TIMES in English			11,810
Kuwait AS-SIYASAH in Arabic			6,780

OMAN

Muscat Domestic Service in Arabic	4,600		
Salalah Domestic Service in Arabic	1,800		
Muscat 'Uman in Arabic			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
<u>PAKISTAN</u>			
Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu	0		
Karachi DAWN in English			12,040
Karachi JANG in Urdu			0
Karachi JASARAT in Urdu			1,390
Karachi MASHRIQ in Urdu			1,100
Lahore NAWA-E WAQT in Urdu			780
<u>QATAR</u>			
Doha Domestic Service in Arabic	4,380		
Doha Domestic T.V. Service in Arabic	200		
Doha QNA in Arabic		12,610	
Doha AR-RAYAH in Arabic			4,170
<u>SAUDI ARABIA</u>			
Riyadh Domestic Service in Arabic	2,540		
Riyadh Domestic Television Service in Arabic	1,570		
Ad-Dammam AL-YAWM in Arabic			1,020
Jidda AL-BILAD in Arabic			0
Jidda AL-MADINAH in Arabic			7,260
<u>SUDAN</u>			
Khartoum SUNA news in Arabic		8,630	

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UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

Moscow in Dari to Afghanistan	0		
Moscow in Persian to Iran	0		
Baku International Service in Azeri	670		
Tashkent International Service in Uzbek	8,220		
Yerevan International Service in Armenian	530		
Ashkabad Domestic Service in Russian	4,480		
Baku Domestic Service in Russian	0		
Tashkent Domestic Service in Russian	2,920		
Yerevan Domestic Service in Armenian	3,180		
Dushanbe Domestic Service in Russian	0		
Tashkent International Service in Uighur	0		
Yerevan SOVETAKAN AYASTAN in Armenian			830

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Abu Dhabi Domestic Service in Arabic	3,410		
Dubayy Domestic Service in Arabic	410		
Abu Dhabi WAM in Arabic		12,840	
Abu Dhabi AL-FAJR in Arabic			0
Abu Dhabi AL-ITTIHAD in Arabic			1,150
Abu Dhabi AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I in Arabic			0
Ash-Shariqah AL-KHALIJ in Arabic			7,210
Dubayy AL-BAYAN in Arabic			2,020
Dubayy KHALEEJ TIMES in English			5,330

PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF YEMEN

Aden Domestic Service in Arabic	0		
San'a' Domestic Service in Arabic	8,680		